

<i>Name of Metropolitan Cities/States.</i>	<i>No. of Electronic Exchanges.</i>
10 Madhya Pradesh	461
11. Maharashtra including Goa but excluding Bombay	301
12. North East(Arunchal Pradesh, Mizoram, Meghalaya Nagaland, Manipur, Tripura)	82
13. Orissa	158
14. Punjab including Chandigarh	147
15. Rajasthan	177
16. Tamilnadu including Pondicherry but excluding Madras.	227
17. Uttar Pradesh	396
18. West Bengal including Sikkim State and Andaman & Nicobar Islands but excluding Calcutta	42
TOTAL	3394

Deployment of Army in Punjab

*252. SHRI MCRESHWAR SAVE:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRA-
SEKHARA MURTHY:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be
pleased to state:

(a) whether army is being deployed in
Punjab;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the law and order in the
State has deteriorated; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to improve the
same?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI S. B. CHAVAN): (a) to (d). Army has

been inducted into Punjab to extend
assistance to the Civil Administration as and
when required. This would also help
normalise the situation so that elections can
be held in Punjab before 15th February,
1992. The Government of Punjab have also
taken several steps to counter the activities
of the militants and to effectively deal with
the situation.

[Translation]

Arrest of ULFA militants

*254. SHRI RAJVEER SINGH: Will the
Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to
state:

(a) the number of ULFA militants
arrested in Assam during the period from
January 1 to October 31 1991.